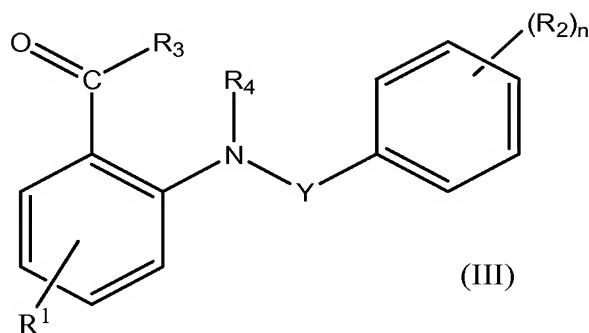


Listing of Claims:

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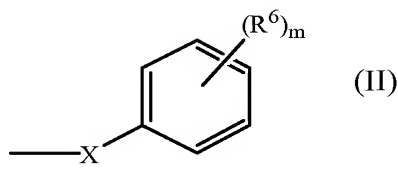
Claims 1-19 (cancelled)

20. (New) A compound having the formula (III),



a N-oxide form, a stereochemical isomer, racemic mixture, salt, prodrug, ester or metabolite thereof, wherein

R¹ represents a radical of formula (II),



R² is bromo, chloro, alkyl, alkyloxy, or haloalkyl, wherein said R² radicals are located in compound of formula (III), respective from the moiety Y, at meta, para, and meta and para positions;

n is 1;

Y is -C(=O)-, or -S(=O)₂-;

R³ is hydroxy or alkyloxy;

R⁴ is hydrogen or alkyl;

X is -CH₂-;

each R⁶ is independently R⁷-C(=O)-, R⁸-S(=O)₂-NH-, or R⁸-C(=O)-NH-, said substituents R⁶ are adjacent; in meta and para positions, or in ortho and meta positions; R⁷ is hydroxy or alkyloxy;

R⁸ is aryl substituted with halogen, bromo, chloro, alkyl, alkyloxy haloalkyl, alkenyl, or alkynyl, said substituents in meta or para position respective from the point of attachment of said aryl group;

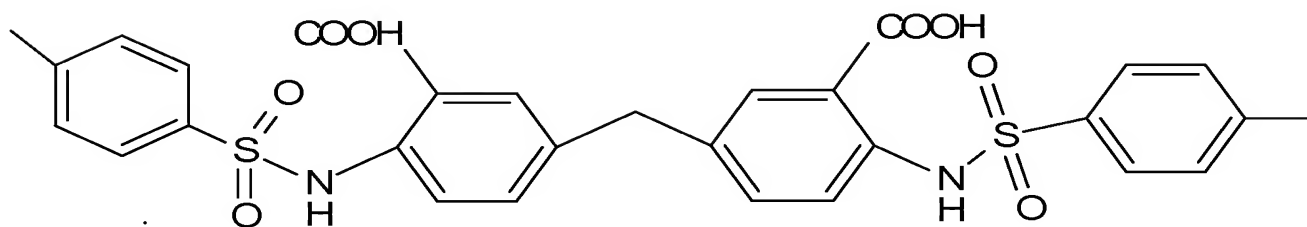
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m is 2.

21. (New) A pharmaceutical composition containing a therapeutically effective amount of a compound as claimed in claim 20 and one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients.

22. (New) The compound 3'-methylene-bis(6-((4-methylphenyl)sulfonylamino)-benzoic acid) , or its N-oxide form, salt, stereoisomeric form, racemic mixture, prodrug, ester or metabolite thereof.

23. (New) The compound having the following structure:



according to Claim 22.